

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/727,360  
Filing Date: December 3, 2003  
Applicant: Akira Misawa  
Group Art Unit: 2619  
Examiner: Joshua Y. Smith  
Title: OVPN SYSTEM, OVPN TERMINATING DEVICE,  
COLLECTIVE CONTROLLING DEVICE, AND OPTICAL  
COMMUNICATION NETWORK  
Attorney Docket: 5259-000037

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

In response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2008, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 38 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 39 of this paper.